PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Yasumasa HAMADA, et al.

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For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING (2R)-2-PROPYLOCTANOIC ACID AND

INTERMEDIATE THEREFOR

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This responds to the Restriction Requirement, dated September 29, 2008.

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants elects Group I, claims 1-3 for examination. This election is made without traverse.

Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected

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